

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

1 1. A vehicle having a passenger compartment, an engine
2 arranged at a front end thereof, and a fuel tank arranged under
3 a rear seat and the passenger compartment comprising:

4 a canister; and

5 an exhaust pipe receiving exhaust gas from the engine
6 and outputting the exhaust gas;

7 wherein the canister and the exhaust pipe are positioned
8 in respective recessed accommodating portions, one of the
9 respective recessed accommodating portions is located between
10 the fuel tank and the engine, and below the passenger
11 compartment.

1 2. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 1,

2 wherein the exhaust pipe constitutes an expansion
3 chamber.

1 3. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 1,

2 wherein the expansion chamber is arranged close to the
3 canister by accommodating the expansion chamber and the canister
4 in at least one of said recessed accommodating portions, so
5 that heat from the exhaust gas in the exhaust pipe is transferred
6 to the canister.

1 4. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 1,

2 wherein said recessed accommodating portions are located
3 beneath at least one of the first seat, the second seat, and
4 a space between the first and the second seat.

1 5. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 4,
2 wherein said first seat is a driver's seat, and the second
3 seat is the front passenger's seat.

1 6. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 4,
2 wherein the canister and the exhaust pipe are accommodated
3 in the two recessed accommodating portions located beneath the
4 first and the second seat respectively.

1 7. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 4,
2 wherein the canister and the exhaust pipe are accommodated
3 in the two recessed accommodating portions located beneath the
4 first seat and the space between the first and second seat
5 respectively.

1 8. A vehicle as set forth in Claim 4,
2 wherein both of the canister and the exhaust pipe are
3 accommodated in one recessed accommodating portion located
4 beneath the first seat.